Solomon Practice Paper

Core Mathematics 1C

Time allowed: 90 minutes

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Question	Points	Score
1	3	
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1. Solve the equation

$$x^2 - 4x - 8 = 0,$$

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giving your answers in the form $a + b\sqrt{3}$ where a and b are integers.



[4]

2. Find the set of values of x for which

$$(x-1)(x-2) < 20.$$

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[6]

3. The curve with equation y = f(x) passes through the point (8,7). Given that

$$f'(x) = 4x^{\frac{1}{3}} - 5,$$

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find f(x).



4. (a) Evaluate $(5\frac{4}{9})^{-\frac{1}{2}}$

[2]

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(b) Find the value of x such that

$$\frac{1+x}{x} = \sqrt{3},$$

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giving your answer in the form $a+b\sqrt{3}$ where a and b are rational.



5. Given that

$$y = x + 5 + \frac{3}{\sqrt{x}},$$

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- (a) find $\frac{\mathrm{d}y}{\mathrm{d}x}$,
- (b) find $\int y \, dx$.

- [3]
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6.

$$f(x) = x^{\frac{3}{2}} - 8x^{-\frac{1}{2}}$$

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- (a) Evaluate f(3), giving your answer in its simplest form with a rational denominator.
- [4]

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(b) Solve the equation f(x) = 0, giving your answers in the form $k\sqrt{2}$.



- 7. The straight line l_1 has gradient 2 and passes through the point with coordinates (4, -5).
 - (a) Find an equation for l_1 in the form y = mx + c.

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The straight line l_2 is perpendicular to the line with equation 3x - y = 4 and passes through the point with coordinates (3,0).

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(b) Find an equation for l_2 .

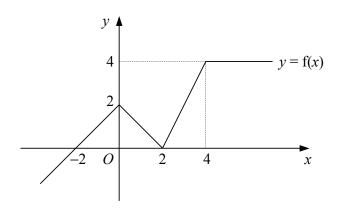
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(c) Find the coordinates of the point where l_1 and l_2 intersect.

[3]



8. Figure shows the graph of y = f(x).



- (a) Write down the number of solutions that exist for the equation
 - i. f(x) = 1,
 - ii. f(x) = -x.
- (b) Labelling the axes in a similar way, sketch on separate diagrams the graphs of

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- i. y = f(x 2),
- ii. y = f(2x)

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9. (a) Prove that the sum of the first n terms of an arithmetic series with first term a and common difference d is given by

$$\frac{1}{2}n\left[2a+(n-1)d\right].$$

A novelist begins writing a new book. She plans to write 16 pages during the first week, 18 during the second and so on, with the number of pages increasing by 2 each week.

Find, according to her plan,

- (b) how many pages she will write in the fifth week,
- (c) the total number of pages she will write in the first five weeks. [2]
- (d) Using algebra, find how long it will take her to write the book if it has 250 pages. [4]

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[4]

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10. The curve C has the equation y = f(x) where

$$f(x) = (x+2)^3$$
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- (a) Sketch the curve C, showing the coordinates of any points of intersection with the coordinate axes.
- [3]

(b) Find f'(x).

[4]

The straight line l is the tangent to C at the point P(-1,1).

(c) Find an equation for l.

[3]

The straight line m is parallel to l and is also a tangent to C.

(d) Show that m has the equation y = 3x + 8.

[4] Total: 14

